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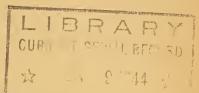
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WITHHOLDING CERTIFICATION FOR PAYMENT OF CLAIMS COVERING BEANS, PEAS AND RECE

- I. GENERAL: Occasionally lots of beans, peas and rice purchased by the Commodity Credit Corporation are found to include some bags which are in bad order at the time of inspection, and proper notation of such condition is made on the inspection certificates. Such notations might be "25 bags damaged by rodents; contents spilling", "bags patched and weakened", or other similar statements indicating unacceptable bags.
- WITHHOLDING PAYMENT: Certification should be withheld on all beans, peas or rice contained in bags which are not acceptable as indicated by the inspection certificates. The Notices of Suspensions accompanying such deductions should state clearly that inquiries relative to such withholdings are to be directed to the contracting officer.

